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BEAVERTON HOSTS ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION DURING BEAVERTON FARMER'S WINTER MARKET

BEAVERTON, Ore. — The city is helping the Beaverton Farmer's Winter Market celebrate St. Patrick's Day weekend with musical and dance performances on Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Beaverton City Park.

"We have a great partnership with the Beaverton Farmer's Market," said Mayor Denny Doyle "These St. Patrick's Day performances will complement the market perfectly."

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- **10:15 a.m.** – Sir James McDonald Pip Band
- **10:30 a.m.** – An Daire Academy of Irish Dance
- **11 a.m.** – Sam Keator hosts an Irish dance demonstration with audience participation
- **11:20 a.m.** – Mikey Beglan, world-renowned accordion player. He is also inviting all who can play to bring their instruments for an Irish jam session on stage.
- **11:30 a.m.** – Sam Keator hosts an Irish dance demonstration
- **Noon** - Tim Birr, lead piper of TVF&R Pipes and Drums
- **12:30 p.m.** – Irish Dancers from Forest Grove Dance Arts.

For the safety of attendees, SW Washington and Fourth Streets will be closed to through traffic from 9:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

The Beaverton Farmer's Winter Market is open the first and third Saturdays in March and April from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. During the event, the Winter Market is hosting a craft booth for kids to make their own Mr. Potatohead using real potatoes, fruits and other vegetables from the market. For more information about the Winter Market, please visit www.BeavertonFarmersMarket.com.

For more information about the event, please call the community events line at 503-526-2599 or visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/StPatricksDay.

Beaverton enjoys one of the most diverse populations among Oregon cities. Most recently, the city was awarded the **2012 Mayors' Climate Protection Award** from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was one of just four cities of its size recently recognized as a "**Smarter City**" **energy leader by the Natural Resources Defense Council** and **one of the 100 Best Places to Live in America** by *Money* magazine. In addition, Beaverton has been named **one of the safest cities**

in the **Pacific Northwest** for four consecutive years, as one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine, an **All-America City** finalist, as **one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement** by *Forbes.com*, **one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America** by *Prevention* magazine, the **Recycler of the Year** from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, a **Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation, a **Bronze Award Bicycle Friendly Community** designation by the League of American Bicyclists and as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**, the Beaverton Community Vision program was named **Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter. For more information, please visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofbeaverton.

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